

FRESNO, CA - Congressman Jim Costa (D-Fresno) is seeking local students interested in attending our Nation's prestigious military academies. Applications are available from Representative Costa's District offices in Fresno and Bakersfield to interested students who live in the 20th Congressional District, which is comprised of parts of Fresno County, Kern County and all of Kings County. The deadline for submission is Monday, December 19, 2005.

"It is an honor to serve in our Nation's military and these service academies instill in students great discipline and leadership abilities that will be useful in any career path students may choose," Costa stated.

To apply for a nomination potential appointees must complete an application, which can be obtained from Congressman Costa's office, and those qualified will be scheduled for an interview with Representative Costa's academy selection committee. This committee is composed of community leaders in the 20th Congressional District. They will seek out a well rounded individual that meets academic qualifications, sets a standard for community involvement and has leadership abilities.

Those who would like more information can contact Kelly Gill, Director of Constituent Services, in Congressman Costa's Fresno District Office, located at 855 'M' Street, Fresno, CA 93721; or they may also call the office at 559-495-1620.

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